

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Habitat for Humanity and Lowe's Companies, Inc. have designated the week of May 5-13, 2012, as National Women Build Week, to highlight the efforts of the Women Build program, which recruits, educates and inspires women to build and advocate for simple, decent, and affordable houses in their communities; and,

*Whereas*, More than 12 million U.S. children live in poverty and this initiative is aimed at creating awareness of opportunities for helping parents provide warm, safe homes for their children and solving poverty housing; and,

*Whereas*, Three Habitat for Humanity affiliates serving the state of South Dakota are joining 275 Habitat for Humanity affiliates across all 50 states during National Women Build Week, uniting more than 10,000 women volunteers on Women Build sites across the country; and,

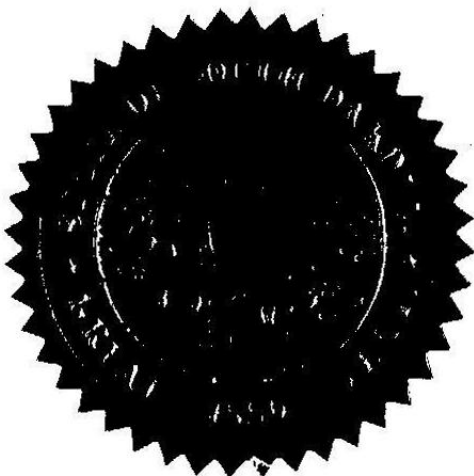
*Whereas*, This year's theme, "The Build Generation," reflects Habitat Women Build's goal to recruit and train women volunteers, as well as welcome the next generation of Habitat Women Builders – young women, ages 18-24 – who can continue the legacy of Habitat's mission to create affordable housing; and,

*Whereas*, This initiative helps provide simple, decent affordable housing through joint efforts between Habitat partner families, volunteers, sponsors, community organizations, and business and government leaders:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 5-13, 2012, as

## *WOMEN BUILD WEEK*

in South Dakota.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirteenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Jason M. Gant*  
Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State